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In any $\Delta ABC, \forall x, y, z > 0$, the following relationship holds :

$$\frac{x}{y+z}(1 + \cos A) + \frac{y}{z+x}(1 + \cos B) + \frac{z}{x+y}(1 + \cos C) \geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(\sin A + \sin B + \sin C)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{B}{2} - \cos^2 \frac{C}{2} &= \frac{s(s-a)}{bc} + \frac{s(s-b)}{ca} - \frac{s(s-c)}{ab} = \\ &= \frac{s}{abc}(a(s-a) + b(s-b) - c(s-c)) = \frac{s}{abc}(x(y+z) + y(z+x) - z(x+y)) = \\ &= \frac{s}{abc}(2xy) > 0 \quad (x = s-a, y = s-b, z = s-c \Rightarrow a = y+z, b = z+x, c = x+y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \cos^2 \frac{C}{2} < \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} + \cos^2 \frac{B}{2} < \left(\cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \cos \frac{A}{2} + \cos \frac{B}{2} - \cos \frac{C}{2} > 0 \\ \text{and analogs} \Rightarrow \cos \frac{A}{2}, \cos \frac{B}{2}, \cos \frac{C}{2} \text{ form sides of a triangle} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}, \sqrt{\cos \frac{B}{2}}, \sqrt{\cos \frac{C}{2}} \text{ form sides of a triangle with area} \\ F_1 = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \sqrt{2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{x}{y+z}(1 + \cos A) + \frac{y}{z+x}(1 + \cos B) + \frac{z}{x+y}(1 + \cos C) \\ = 2 \left(\frac{x}{y+z} \cdot \left(\sqrt{\cos \frac{A}{2}}\right)^4 + \frac{y}{z+x} \cdot \left(\sqrt{\cos \frac{B}{2}}\right)^4 + \frac{z}{x+y} \cdot \left(\sqrt{\cos \frac{C}{2}}\right)^4 \right) \geq \\ \stackrel{\text{Tsintsifas}}{\geq} 16F_1^2 = 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos \frac{A}{2} \cos \frac{B}{2} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \cos^2 \frac{A}{2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}(\sin A + \sin B + \sin C) \\ \Leftrightarrow 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin \frac{B+C}{2} \sin \frac{C+A}{2} - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 \frac{B+C}{2} \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(\sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin(B+C) \right) \\ \text{Now, since : } \frac{B+C}{2} + \frac{C+A}{2} + \frac{A+B}{2} = \pi, \therefore X = \frac{B+C}{2}, Y = \frac{C+A}{2}, Z = \frac{A+B}{2} \end{aligned}$$

form angles of a triangle XYZ with sides x, y, z and semiperimeter, circumradius, inradius = s', R' and r' (say) and then

$$\therefore \textcircled{1} \Leftrightarrow 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin X \sin Y - \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin^2 X \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \sum_{\text{cyc}} \sin 2X$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{4R'^2} \left(2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy - \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 \right) \stackrel{?}{\geq} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot 4 \sin X \sin Y \sin Z = 2\sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{xyz}{8R'^3} = 2\sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{4R' r' s'}{8R'^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2 \sum_{\text{cyc}} xy - \sum_{\text{cyc}} x^2 \stackrel{?}{\geq} 4\sqrt{3} \cdot r' s' \rightarrow \text{which is true via Hadwiger - Finsler}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{1} \text{ is true } \therefore \frac{x}{y+z} (1 + \cos A) + \frac{y}{z+x} (1 + \cos B) + \frac{z}{x+y} (1 + \cos C)$$

$$\geq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (\sin A + \sin B + \sin C) \forall \Delta ABC, '' = '' \text{ iff } \Delta ABC \text{ is equilateral (QED)}$$